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FM AMEMBASSY ROME

TO CINCUSNAVEUR PRIORITY

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C O N F I D E N T I A L ROME 4251

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MARR, IT

SUBJECT: LAGO DI PATRIA

REF: A. ROME 2672

B. CINCUSNAVEUR 141653Z MAR 75

CINCUSNAVEUR FOR GELBER

1. ALL MATERIAL IN REF B PASSED TO GRATEFUL MFA NATO OFFICE  
ON MARCH 17, WHICH SENT INFO ALONG TO MOD AND MIN POSTS.

2. MFA NOTED THAT MOST RECENT COMMUNICATION INCLUDED PLURAL  
SATELLITES WITH LOCATIONS ON EQUATOR NEAR MALDIVES, AS BEFORE,  
AND WITH ADDITIONAL LOCATION IN MID-ATLANTIC. MFA ASKED EMBASSY  
TO CONFIRM THIS ADDITION AND IS CURIOUS ABOUT REASON FOR ADDITION.

COMMENT: IT IS EMBASSY'S BELIEF THAT THIS WILL NOT BE A BONE OF  
CONTENTION SO LONG AS WE CAN PROVIDE THEM WITH A SIMPLE, NON-  
DETAILED EXPLANATION OF CHANGE. END COMMENT. THEY ALSO DESIRE  
CONFIRMATION THAT ALTITUDE WILL BE 35 THOUSAND 900 KILOMETERS.

COMMENT: SOMEONE IN ITALIAN BUREACRACY NOT ACCUSTOMED TO  
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DOING BUSINESS WITH AMERICANS INTERPRETED THE COMMA IN 35,900 AS

BEING THE EUROPEAN SYMBOL FOR THE DECIMAL POINT. END COMMENT.

3. OF A MORE DILATORY NATURE, THE MOD HAS REQUESTED VIA THE MFA A) "PHYSICAL STRUCTURE (SIC) OF THE ANTENNA". (WE PRESUME THIS MEANS TECHNICAL NOMENCLATURE FOR FORM OF STRUCTURE PLUS GENERAL INDICATION OF MATERIALS TO BE USED.) B) DIMENSIONS OF THE ANTENNA AND OF THE SUPPORT STRUCTURE. C) "RADIOELECTRIC" DIAGRAM OF THE "SAME ANTENNA".

4. COMMENT: IT MAY BE THAT BITS AND PIECES OF THE ABOVE HAVE ALREADY BEEN COMMUNICATED TO VARIOUS GOI OFFICES BUT IT WILL BE QUICKER FOR USG TO ASSEMBLE DATA AND PASS TO GOI IN FORTHCOMING RESPONSE TO REQUEST THAN TO ASK THEM TO INSTITUTE BUREAUCRATIC SEARCH FOR THESE NEEDLES IN THEIR HAYSTACK. END COMMENT. VOLPE

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